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THE DNA BINDING AFFINITY,  
SEQUENCE SPECIFICITY, AND  
ORIENTATION-PREFERENCE OF  
CHIRAL HAIRPIN POLYAMIDES IN  
THE MINOR GROOVE**

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